

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. **00V-246.002** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

SEP 20 2000

Part 573 Report Date: **August 30, 2000**

MANUFACTURER: **PACCAR, Inc.**

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SUBJECT: **2,000 Paccar Kenworth vehicles manufactured from July 5, through November 12, 1999; and 1,260 Peterbilt vehicles manufactured from July 5, through November 12, 1999. These vehicles are equipped with TRW tie rod ends on certain Meritor axles. The tie rod and draglink ball stud ends contain bearings that are below the specified case depth and/or hardness. This can lead to premature wear out and possible separation of the ball stud from the socket. Peterbilt Recall No. 800-G/Kenworth Recall No. 00KW03.**

This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

In accordance with Part 577, amended July 7, 1995, a draft owner notification letter must be submitted for review prior to mailing.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin during September/October 2000. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by January 30, 2001.

Questions: What model vehicles are involved in this campaign?

If you have any questions, please call:

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